State of Arizona Senate Forty-sixth Legislature First Regular Session 2003

CHAPTER 175

SENATE BILL 1338

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 38, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING CHAPTER 8; RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Title 38, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding chapter 8, to read:

CHAPTER 8

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

38-1101. <u>Law enforcement officers; right to representation;</u> definition

A. IF AN EMPLOYER INTERVIEWS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND THE EMPLOYER REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE INTERVIEW COULD RESULT IN DISMISSAL, DEMOTION OR SUSPENSION, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER MAY REQUEST TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICER PRESENT AT NO COST TO THE EMPLOYER DURING THE INTERVIEW. THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHALL SELECT A REPRESENTATIVE WHO IS AVAILABLE ON REASONABLE NOTICE SO THAT THE INTERVIEW IS NOT UNREASONABLY DELAYED. THE REPRESENTATIVE SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERVIEW ONLY AS AN OBSERVER. UNLESS AGREED TO BY THE EMPLOYER, THE REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE FROM THE SAME AGENCY AND SHALL NOT BE AN ATTORNEY. THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHALL BE PERMITTED REASONABLE BREAKS OF LIMITED DURATION DURING ANY INTERVIEW FOR TELEPHONIC OR IN PERSON CONSULTATION WITH OTHERS, INCLUDING AN ATTORNEY, WHO ARE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE.

- B. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO AN INTERVIEW OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER THAT IS:
- 1. IN THE NORMAL COURSE OF DUTY, COUNSELING OR INSTRUCTION OR AN INFORMAL VERBAL ADMONISHMENT BY, OR OTHER ROUTINE OR UNPLANNED CONTACT WITH, A SUPERVISOR OR ANY OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.
- 2. PRELIMINARY QUESTIONING TO DETERMINE THE SCOPE OF THE ALLEGATIONS OR IF AN INVESTIGATION IS NECESSARY.
 - 3. CONDUCTED IN THE COURSE OF A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION.
- C. THIS SECTION DOES NOT PREEMPT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE EMPLOYER AND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.
- D. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CERTIFIED BY THE ARIZONA PEACE OFFICERS STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD OR WHO IS A DETENTION OFFICER OR CORRECTION OFFICER AND WHO IS EMPLOYED BY THIS STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MAY 7, 2003.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY 7, 2003.

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